

**Congress of the United States**  
Washington, DC 20510

March 23, 2023

The Honorable Kay Granger  
Chair  
Committee on Appropriations  
U.S. House of Representatives  
H 307 The Capitol  
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro  
Ranking Member  
Committee on Appropriations  
U.S. House of Representatives  
1036 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chair Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for Padre Dam Municipal Water District Cybersecurity & Other Information Technology in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is Padre Dam Municipal Water District, located at 9300 Fanita Parkway, Santee, CA 92071.

The funding would be used for the installation of a fiber optic network that provides for a bi-directional transmission of SCADA information and a faster and redundant communications network for control, business, phones, and security at the East County AWP facilities. These improvements will provide cybersecurity, continuity of communications, and allow for greater information technology and operational technology security.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the East County Advanced Water Purification (ECAWP) project will provide recycled drinking water to East San Diego County and to surrounding tribal nations.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by Section 1452 of the Safe Drinking Water Act, 42 U.S.C. 300j-12.

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Thank you for your consideration in supporting an important project.

Sincerely,



DARRELL ISSA  
Member of Congress